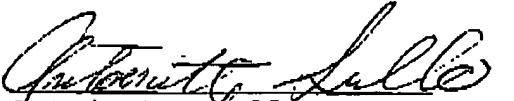


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 21, 2006, for which a response is due on March 21, 2006.

Restriction

Restriction was required as follows:

- I. Claims 1-5, drawn to a turbine engine nozzle subassembly, classified in class 60, subclass 232.
- II. Claims 6-8, drawn to a method of retrofitting or reengineering an engine configuration, classified in class 60, subclass 204.

Applicants elect Group I with traverse. Traverse is on the grounds that examination of all the claims would not present an undue burden. Although separately classified, the search classes of the three groups are expected to largely, if not completely, overlap. Accordingly, if the restriction requirement is withdrawn, claims 1-8 will be examined. If not withdrawn, claims 1-5 will be examined.

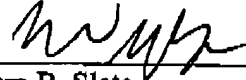
Accordingly, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Please charge

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charge any fees or deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account of record.

Respectfully submitted,

By



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